California Horse Racing Board

1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300 Sacramento, CA 95825 (916) 263 - 6000(916) 263 - 6042 Fax



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS **Pacific Racing Association**

Golden Gate Fields, Albany, California

TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

Honorable Gavin Newsom, Governor Honorable Chuck Winner, Chairman Honorable Madeline Auerbach, Vice Chairman Honorable Dennis V. Alfieri, Member Honorable Fred Maas, Member Honorable Araceli Ruano, Member Honorable Alex Solis, Member Honorable Gregory L. Ferraro, Member Rick Baedeker, Executive Director Jacqueline Wagner, Assistant Executive Director John McDonough, Chief Counsel Darrel McHargue, Chief Steward

Report for the Week of Wednesday, August 28, 2019 through Monday, September 2, 2019

WEDNESDAY

8-28-19¹ **DUTY STEWARD**

Steward **Will Meyers** was present to supervise entries and declarations.

THURSDAY

DECLARATIONS 8-29-19¹

3RD Race: #4 Rush (Tr. John Martin) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds: \$318.41

This declaration reduced the field to four wagering interests and the show pool was canceled.

4TH Race: #1 **Speed Savor** (Tr. **Isidro Tamayo**) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds: \$236.30

#2 Playing Through (Tr. Tim McCanna) Sick - DVM Sporer Refunds: See Above

These declarations reduced the field to four wagering interests and the show pool was canceled.

5TH Race: #6 R U Tough Enough (Tr. Jamey Thomas) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds: \$ 125.50

6TH Race: #3 Proper Drink (Tr. Michael Lenzini) Entered Back - Stewards Refunds: \$66.26

7TH Race: #7 Bold Chieftess (Tr. Blaine Wright) Unsound – DVM Sporer Refunds: \$184.80

$8-29-19^2$ **RULING #4 – EDGAR BAYEH (DBA HILL FARM LLC) (CASE #18GG0103)**

Ruling # 4

Owner Edgar Bayeh (DBA Hill Farm LLC.), having satisfied the outstanding financial obligation to San Francisco Equine, Inc. is restored to good standing and Pacific Racing Association ruling # 20, dated September 28, 2018 suspending Edgar Bayeh (DBA Hill Farm LLC.) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1547 (Failure to Appear) is hereby set aside.

The above Ruling was issued upon receipt of a document from San Francisco Equine, INC. (Kim Kuhlmann, DVM) that indicated Mr. Bayeh has satisfied his debt for services.

8-29-19³ RULING #5 – JAMES RANDALL COPE (REFER FERNDALE 8-25-19⁸)

Ruling # 5

Starter James Randall "Randy" Cope is fined seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1552 (Duties of the Starter) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1695 (To the Post) and #1696 (The Start –horse not in the starting gate when field was dispatched) in the Eighth race at Humboldt County Fair (Ferndale) on August 25, 2019.

The foregoing **Ruling** was issued after **Mr. Cope** appeared before the Stewards and requested an informal hearing to address an issue that occurred on the last day of the Humboldt County Fair (**Ferndale**).

Mr. Cope was the starter at the fair and dispatched the field for the eighth race without one horse, #6 **Seau** being in the starting gate. In addition #2 **Dizzy Dancer** was being held by an assistant who was waiting for the last horse to enter the starting gate and did not receive a fair start. As noted in the **Ferndale Minutes**, both horses were declared **non-starters** and all wagers were refunded.

Mr. Cope offered no valid excuse and accepted full responsibility for his negligence.

8-29-19⁴ RULING #6 – THOMAS NEAL VALENZUELA (CASE #19BM0001)

Ruling #6

Trainer **Thomas Neal Valenzuela** is hereby fined the sum of **Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)*** for violation of #1874 (Disorderly Conduct – under the influence of Marijuana). Further **Thomas Neal Valenzuela** is required to sign a testing agreement with the **California Horse Racing Board.**

Mr Valenzuela appeared in response to a complaint filed against him by the California Horse Racing Board investigative staff for being under the influence of and in possession of Marijuana on the grounds of the Alameda County Fair Grounds (Pleasanton). Mr. Valenzuela did not dispute the allegation and accepted the penalty imposed.

8-29-19⁵ **RULING #7 – HARVEY LASKY**

Ruling #7

Trainer Harvey Lasky is fined the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00)* pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1852 (Reporting to Receiving Barn) for failure to deliver the horse Grits And Guts to the receiving barn at the designated time necessitating a late scratch in the sixth race on Sunday, August 25, 2019, a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule # 1629 (Penalty For Late Declaration).

Mr. Lasky met with the **Stewards** to discuss the failure of his horse "**Grits And Guts**" to arrive at the receiving barn prior to the sixth race on August 25, 2019, necessitating a late declaration.

Mr. Lasky, noting that he lost his hearing aid, explained that he did not hear the twenty minute or the five minute calls to report to the receiving barn.

Although sympathetic to **Mr. Lasky's** loss of his hearing apparatus, the responsibility for the late declaration was his.

8-29-19⁶ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	861	\$299,532.96
GG	866	\$134,348.80
OUT of STATE	N/A	\$614,778.08
SCOT	N/A	\$123,420.26
TOTAL	1,727	\$1,172,080.10

FRIDAY

8-30-19¹ **DECL**

DECLARATIONS:

3RD Race: #6 **Blazing Thunder (Tr. Angelo Tekos**) Unsound – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 172.20

5TH Race: #1 Prayer Warrior (Tr. Jonathan Wong) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 4,142.20

#6 Stay In Yo Lane (Tr. Jonathan Wong) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 4,142.20 6TH Race: #5 California Comet (Tr. Jamey Thomas) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 75.50

7TH Race: #9 **Royal Banker** (TR. **Clifford DeLima**) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds \$362.72

#10 Street Moxie (Tr. R. B. Hess) Entered Back - Stewards Refunds - See Above

8-30-19² CLAIMS VOIDED – 6th RACE – 7th RACE

The Stewards **voided** two claims today following reports from California Horse Racing Board Veterinarian **Forrest Franklin**, **D.V.M**. that indicated both horses were unsound.

#1 Heloise (Tr. Isidro Tamayo) was claimed by Trainer Blaine Wright but was returned to the Tamayo barn after it was voided following the sixth race.

In the **seventh** race Trainer **Victor Trujillo** submitted a claim for #6 **Bird Is The Word** (Tr. **Steve Miyadi**) but was returned to the **Miyadi barn** after it was **voided**.

8-30-19³ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,183	\$544,729.31
GG	572	\$178,666.20
OUT of STATE	N/A	\$1,028,220.72
SCOT	N/A	\$184,229.37
TOTAL	1,755	\$1,935,845.60

SATURDAY

8-31-19¹

DECLARATIONS:

1ST Race: #2 Elusive Blend (Tr. Steve Sherman) Injured – DVM Sporer Refunds \$238.10

3RD Race: #4 Radiotron (Tr. O.J. Jauregui) Sick – DVM Christin Refunds \$64.00

6TH Race: #6 Regal Born (Tr. Tim McCanna) Sick – DVM Christin Refunds \$ 315.50

8-31-19² **RULING #8 – Heriberto Figueroa (19GG0119)**

Ruling #8

Jockey **Heriberto Figueroa** is fined the sum of **Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)*** for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule **#1930** (Obedience to Security Officers and Public Safety Officers - Failure to Follow Orders of the Outrider) on **July 12, 2019**.

The foregoing **Ruling** was issued after **Mr. Figueroa** met with the **Stewards** for an informal hearing regarding the complaint filed against him for failing to adhere to the orders of the morning outrider.

Mr. Figueroa's mount during a morning workout appeared to be unsound and the outrider directed him to dismount. The young rider complied but then remounted when the horse was off

the track. **Mr. Figueroa** stated the **groom** that was leading the horse back to the barn instructed him to **remount**.

Mr. Figueroa realizes his error and has accepted the penalty imposed.

8-31-19³ STEWARDS REVIEW – 9TH RACE

The **Stewards** provided a video review of the **ninth** race for the wagering public to highlight an incident near the 6 ½ **furlong** pole during this one mile event. The video shows #5 **Baby You Got It** (**Juan Espinoza**) drift out slightly and appear to clip the heels of #8 **Kona Breeze** (**Pedro Flores**). An Inquiry was not necessary as the former went on to beat the latter and appeared to cause his own problem.

8-31-19⁴ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	2,127	\$950,795.85
GG	1,072	\$357,254.40
OUT of STATE	N/A	\$966,534.23
SCOT	N/A	\$328,995.15
TOTAL	3,199	\$2,603,579.63

SUNDAY

9-1-19¹

DECLARATIONS:

3rd Race: #4 Sweetalley (Tr. Clifford DeLima) Injured – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 186.00

4TH Race: #6 Farishta (Tr. Moger) Sick – DVM Christin Refunds \$ 208.30

5TH Race: #6 **Slashing** (Tr. **Isidro Tamayo**) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 262.50

8TH Race: #1 Quick And Silver (Tr. Jesus Ramos) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds \$ 116.00

9-1-19² **JACOB AGUILAR (19GG0122)**

The Stewards held an informal hearing for Trainer/Exercise Rider **Jacob Aguilar**, who has been charged with being intoxicated and creating a disturbance in the grandstand at **Golden Gate Fields** on **July 26, 2019**.

Mr. Aguilar was very contrite, did not dispute the allegation and further stated he needs help addressing an alcohol problem.

It should be noted that the **Golden Gate Fields** administration has taken the independent action of denying **Mr. Aguilar** access to the premises for a period of six months. Decision Forthcoming...

9-1-19³ CLEAR AFTERNOON

The racing program was conducted without any noteworthy incidents.

9-1-19⁴ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

NCOT	1,643	\$770,819.36
GG	5,038	\$602,026.91
OUT of STATE	N/A	\$1,259,140.41
SCOT	N/A	\$364,138.01
TOTAL	6,681	\$2,996,124.69

MONDAY

9-2-19¹

DECLARATIONS

2ND Race: #4 **Joni B True** (Tr. **Jamey Thomas**) Sick – DVM Sporer Refunds: \$66.50

9-2-19² **RULING #9 JACOB AGUIRAR (19GG0122)**

RULING #9

Trainer/ Exercise Rider Jacob Aguilar is hereby suspended sixty (60) days September 5, 2019 through and including November 3, 2019 and placed on probation for the term of his license (10/01/2020), for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1874 (Disorderly Conduct-Loud and Boisterous Behavior while Intoxicated) on July 26, 2019 in the Clubhouse at Golden Gate Fields.

Further, prior to the reinstatement of his license privileges, **Mr. Aguilar** must show proof of Conditions of probation include signing a contract with the **Winners Foundation**, and abiding by the terms of a **Testing Agreement** with the **California Horse Racing Board**.

During the term of suspension all licenses and license privileges of **Jacob Aguilar** are suspended and pursuant to **California Horse Racing Board** Rule #1528 (**Jurisdiction of Stewards**) subject is denied access to all premises in this jurisdiction.

The above **Ruling** was issued after the **Stewards** considered the evidence and testimony presented at the hearing held on **September 1, 2019**.

9-2-19³ **RULING #10 – SILVIO AMADOR**

Ruling # 10

Jockey Silvio Amador who rode Revenue Virginius in the 7TH race at Golden Gate Fields on Sunday, September 1, 2019 is fined the sum of One Hundred dollars (\$100.00)* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop-used more than three times without giving the horse a chance to respond).

The foregoing **Ruling** was issued after **Mr. Amador** met with the **Stewards** and acknowledged he violated the crop rule.

9-2-19⁴ DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE

NCOT	1,883	\$840,425.66
GG	1,198	\$417,987.30
OUT of STATE	N/A	\$1,197,718.36
SCOT	N/A	\$371,106.70
TOTAL	3,081	\$2,827,238.02

VETERINARY REPORT EUTHANIZED/DIED-NONE

VETERINARIAN'S List – There were – Twenty-One (21) horses placed on the vet's list:

Sick: 13 Injured: 2 Unsound: 6

There was - Seven (7) horses removed from the vet's list:

Sick: 6 Injured: 0 Unsound: 1

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE SUMMARY FOR SATELLITE FACILITIES

Ferndale	N/A	\$155,202.00
Fresno	642	\$301,576.50
Fresno Club One	268	\$298,116.00
Monterey	476	\$233,342.88
Pleasanton	3,047	\$1,395,358.79
Sacramento	2,773	\$976,878.71
San Jose	3,871	\$1,066,855.89
San Mateo	5,215	\$2,699,133.16
Santa Rosa	1,335	\$416,021.66
Stockton	2,032	\$780,882.57
Vallejo	1,655	\$706,966.26
So. California	n/a	\$3,410,513.41
Out of State	n/a	\$12,995,12431

VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
29-Aug	3	4	Rush	J. Martin	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$318.41
29-Aug	4	1	Speed Savor	I Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$236.30
29-Aug	4	2	Playing Through	T. McCanna	Sick	Dr. Sporer	See Above
29-Aug	5	6	R U Tough Enough	J. Thomas	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$125.50
29-Aug	7	7	Bold Chieftess	B. Wright	Unsound	Dr. Sporer	\$184.80
30-Aug	3	6	Blazing Thunder	A Tekos	Unsound	Dr. Sporer	\$172.20
30-Aug	5	1	Prayer Warrior	J. Wong	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$4,142.20
30-Aug	5	6	Stay In Yo Lane	J. Wong	Sick	Dr. Sporer	See Above

30-Aug	6	5	California Comet	J. Thomas	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$75.50
30-Aug	7	9	Royal Banker	C. DeLima	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$362.72
31-Aug	1	2	Elusive Blend	S. Sherman	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$238.10
31-Aug	3	4	Radiotron	O. J Jauregui	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$64.00
31-Aug	6	6	Regal Born	T. McCanna	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$315.50
1-Sept	3	4	Sweetalley	C. DeLima	Injured	Dr. Sporer	\$186.00

1-Sept	4	6	Farishta	E. Moger	Sick	Dr. Christin	\$208.30
1-Sept	5	6	Slashing	I. Tamayo	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$262.50
1-Sept	8	1	Quick And Silver	J. Ramos	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$116.00
2-Sept	2	4	Joni B True	J. Thomas	Sick	Dr. Sporer	\$66.50

SUMMARY

	Thurs 8/29	Fri 8/30	Sat 8/31	Sun 9/1	Mon 9/2	Week	Meet
Accidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cal-Bred Races	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Claims	3	2	2	2	2	11	26
Disqualification	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Refunds	7	7	6	7	2	29	126
Rulings	4	0	1	0	2	7	10
Voided Claims	0	2	0	0	0	2	7

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Nevin, Steward
Ron Church, Steward
Will Meyers, Steward
Paul Atkinson, Steward

DN./DD